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West Side Leadership Academy Seniors

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27 MARCH, 2026 



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GEDF Scholarship Criterion (Abbreviated Version) SCHOLARSHIPS BY CATEGORIES SY 2025-2026

MUST MAINTAIN "C" AVERAGE in high school

1. ACADEMIC PROMISE
2. GARY'S 75th ANNIVERSARY

MUST MAINTAIN 2.5 in High School and 2.5 in COLLEGE

1. JOHN H. & CELESTE BETJEMANN
2.5 or better
2. ACADEMIC PROMISE (Must maintain "C" average or better while receiving scholarship)
3. URBAN VENTURES (Must maintain 2.5 or better while in college)
4. Rosella Labroi- 2.5
5. John Lee Howard 2.5
6. The Joan & Ernest Berry 2.5
7. Garrett "DOC" Webb 2.5
8. Katherine Barnes Lorden Must have 2.5 or better

Must be a MALE SHOW LEADERSHIP & FINANCIAL NEED

1. G.E.L.A. (Black male)
2. MARCUS A. DINKINS-Black male
3. REV. DR. ROBERT LOWERY (Male student)
4. ARCHIE WILLIAMS, JR. & ARNOLD K. WILLIAMS (male student)
5. MOREHOUSE COLLEGE (Black)
6. OMEGA PSI PHI FRATERNITY (Minority male living in Gary)
7. GRANT TURNER-Black male

MAJOR in BUSINESS

1. LAIDLAW/VANCOM BUS
2. URBAN VENTURES
3. FRIENDS OF THOMAS CRUMP
2yr Award
4. Gary A. Ganaway 4yr degree
5. Carrying Gary Forward

GOOD RECORD OF SERVICE or GOOD CITIZENSHIP

1. DR. HARON J. BATTLE
2. RUTH L. BATTLE
3. JUSTICE THURGOOD MARSHALL (Minority student)
3. GARY NAACP LIFE MEMBERSHIP (African American)
4. KIWANIS- ESKILSON/TUCHEK/TYLER
5. HERSCHEL B. DAVIS
6. LEOLEAN POWERS (show financial need)
7. THE CHALLENGE (have a disability)
8. WATKINS' FAMILY/NMMMMBC (Member of New Mt. Moriah Baptist Church or an active member of a Baptist Church, show financial need)
9. ROY PARHAM (show good citizenship)
10. Rev. mar James
11. AKA Sorority... - (Female)
12. Kappa Alpha Psi
13. Patricia "Penny" Williams
14. Emerging Leaders Scholarship
15. Geraldine & Gene Champion

MAJOR in EDUCATION/ HEALTHCARE/SOCIAL WORK

1. DR. CARRIE B. DAWSON *Major in Elementary Education
2. GTU – CHARLES O. SMITH *Major in teaching, social work or healthcare
3. HENRY TURNER, JR. Major in Elementary Education
4. MAE DELLA PARHAM EARLY CHILDHOOD *Education Major
5. Gary A. Ganaway 4yr Degree SANDRA CARR IRONS *Must show financial need
6. WATKINS' FAMILY/NMMMMBC *Pursue career in education
8. Rosella Labroi *Education Major
9. CHARLES O. & MARY SMITH

AREA of SPECIFIC MAJOR

1. FRANKIE WOODS MCCULLOUGH *Foreign Language/Travel
2. POWERS & SONS *Engineering or related field
3. SODEXO *Culinary Arts
4. LAIDLAW/VANCOM CALUMET BUS *Pursue trade, vocational, business, proprietary schools and associate degree programs
5. SHARON KAPLAN *Career in service/helping others
6. GARY ROTARY CLUB- BAN YARRINGTON *Interest in Foreign Affairs
7. EDGAR A. HARRISON, SR. OMEGA *Career in service for impaired or helping handicap
8. ROY PARHAM *Major in technology & admiration for cultural arts
9. JESSE O. HARRIS, JR. *Major in communications
10. Methodist Healthcare Scholarship *Major in healthcare or related field e.g. nursing, pre-med, physical therapy

MUSIC CAREER GOAL

1. THELMA BLUMENTHAL *Pursue career goal in music
2. LOUISE LEE "MUSIC" Award *Pursue career goal in musicrossella

**SCHOLARSHIPS BY
CATEGORY continued**

**MUST HAVE GPA 2.5 OR
BETTER**

1. MALLORY and BERNICE T. BOZEMAN
2. THELMA A. BLUMENTHAL
3. THE BUTCHER SCHOLARSHIP (show financial need)
4. SADIE WILLIAMS SHROPSHIRE
5. TUSKEGEE ALUMNI
6. FRANKIE WOODS MCCULLOUGH FOREIGN
7. CLIFFORD E. AND ALMA H. MINTON
8. JOHN H. & CELESTE BETJEMANN
9. REV. DR. ROBERT LOWERY (show financial need)
10. EVETTE LYLES, PHARM.D
11. GREAT LAKES BROADCASTING
12. FRIENDS OF THOMAS CRUMP (2yr Award)
13. MOREHOUSE Alumni- Gary
14. OMEGA PSI PHI FRATERNITY
15. LOUISE LEE "MUSIC" Award
16. Rev. Julius James
17. Rosella Labroi
18. The Joan & Ernest Scholarship
19. Garrett "DOC" Webb
20. Charles Haney, Sr. 2.7
21. Jesse Harris, Jr. 3.0

**GPA 2.7 OR BETTER & Have
GOOD RECORD OF SERVICE
to the Church & Community**

1. ARCHIE WILLIAMS, JR. & ARNOLD K. WILLIAMS (2.7 GPA)
2. DELTA SIGMA THETA SORORITY (3.0 GPA)
3. RITCHARD A. & SUSAN WATKINS (3.0 GPA)
4. AKA Sorority, Inc. (2.7 GPA)
5. Methodist Healthcare Scholarship (3.0 GPA) or (4.0)
5. Gary Board of Realtors

Superintendent's Citywide
2-Scholarships
**(Scholarship Committee
Must Select)**

West Side Leadership
Roosevelt Academy

ESSAY Scholarships

1. G.E.L.A.- 250 Words Essay
2. DELTA SIGMA THETA SORORITY one – two-page(s) essay
3. SADIE WILLIAMS SHROPSHIRE one-page essay
4. GTU CHARLES O. SMITH 500-word essay
5. RITCHARD A. & SUSAN WATKINS two-page essay
6. CLIFFORD E. AND ALMA H. MINTON-250 words
7. JOHN LEE HOWARD 200- word essay "My Career Goal"
8. AKA Sorority, Inc... (2 paragraph)
11. NIABSE 250 words or more (2x spaced)
9. The Joan & Ernest Berry
10. Garrett "DOC" Webb, Jr.
11. Gary Historical & Cultural Society
12. Patricia "Penny" Williams (150 Words)
13. Harold Beckwith, Jr.
14. Methodist Healthcare Scholarship (500 to 1,000 words)
15. Gary A. Ganaway Scholarship (one-page essay)
16. Geraldine & Gene Champion

**GARY HOUSING AUTHORITY
Must be a GHA Resident to Apply**

GHA- COMMISSIONER'S ONE YEAR
GHA-COMMISSIONER'S FOUR YEAR
GHA –MAYOR'S
GHA – AL THOMAS
GHA – RESIDENT'S INITIATIVE
Garrett "DOC" Webb **ONLY** 46408-46409 Residents
SAM BIANCO 46408/46409 Zip Code Resident **ONLY**

William A. Wirt Citywide
Scholarship
For the Valedictorian

West Side Leadership Academy
School Scholarship team should do selection
A Four (4) year award designated for the Valedictorian

**SPECIFIC SCHOOL
SCHOLARSHIPS**

TENNESSEE STATE UNIV.

-Be unconditionally accepted to Tennessee State University
-Show financial need
-Possess positive personal letters

**TUSKEGEE ALUMNI CLUB-
GARY ALUMNI**

-Be unconditionally accepted to Tuskegee University
-Have a cumulative GPA of 2.5 or better
-Possess positive personal qualities as reflected in recommendation letters

**HAMPTON UNIVERSITY –
GARY ALUMNI**

-Be unconditionally accepted to Hampton University
-Have a cumulative GPA of 3.0 or better
-Have a total score of 1,000 or better on the Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT)

**MOREHOUSE COLLEGE –
GARY ALUMNI**

-Be an African-American male with plans to attend Morehouse College
-Have a reasonable conception of his career goal
-Possess positive personal qualities as reflected in recommendation letters

William A. Wirt Citywide
Scholarship
For to the Salutatorian

West Side Leadership
Academy
*School Scholarship team
should do selection*
A four (4) year award
designated for the Salutatorian

1. (119) ACADEMIC PROMISE
AWARD: One Year - \$800 (2 payments of \$400)
APPLICANT MUST MEET THESE CRITERIA:
Be a good citizen
Show financial need
Be able to maintain a "C" average or better while receiving the scholarship
2. (184) AKA SORORITY INC. TWENTY PEARLS
AWARD: One Year - \$1000 (2 payments of \$500)
APPLICANT MUST MEET THESE CRITERIA:
Currently involved in service activities in school, community or church
Has a cumulative grade point average of at least 2.7 on a 4.0 scale
Obtains admission to an accredited college or university
Demonstrates a need for financial assistance
3. (28) DR. HARON J. BATTLE
AWARD: Four Years - \$2,000 (8 payments of \$250)
APPLICANT MUST MEET THESE CRITERIA:
Have a reasonable conception of his/her career goals
Have a record of experiences consistent with the chosen career goal
Possess positive personal qualities as reflected in recommendation(s)
4. (38) RUTH L. BATTLE
AWARD: One Year - \$1,000 (2 payments of \$500)
APPLICANT MUST MEET THESE CRITERIA:
Have a reasonable conception of his/her career goals
Have a record of experiences consistent with the chosen career goal
Possess positive personal qualities as reflected in recommendation(s)
5. (157) JOHN H. & CELESTE BETJEMANN
AWARD: Two Years - \$ 2,000 (4 payments of \$500)
APPLICANT MUST MEET THESE CRITERIA:
Have a worthy career goal
Have scholastic achie
Possess positive personal qualities as reflected in recommendation(s)
6. (116) G.E.L.A. (formally B.L.E.E.D.S.)
AWARD: Two Years – \$1,000 (4 payments of \$250)
APPLICANT MUST MEET THESE CRITERIA:
Be an African-American male
Show financial need
Be accepted to an accredited 4-year college/university
Submit a 250-word essay stating his educational goals and interest in becoming a future black leader
7. (159) THELMA A. BLUMENTHAL
AWARD: One Year - \$ 1,000 (2 payments of \$500)
APPLICANT MUST MEET THESE CRITERIA:
Have a GPA of 2.5 or better
Has been a successful music student in high school
Has selected a Major or Minor in music in college

8. (146) MALLORY and BERNICE T. BOZEMAN
AWARD: One Year - \$ 1,000 (2 payments of \$500)
APPLICANT MUST MEET THESE CRITERIA:
Has a reasonable conception of his/her career goal
Has maintained a GPA of 2.5 or better
Demonstrates positive personal qualities such as character and service that can be verified through written references
9. (111) THE BUTCHER SCHOLARSHIP-ADA, MARGUERITE & FRANCES
AWARD: One Year - \$1,000 (2 payments of \$500)
APPLICANT MUST MEET THESE CRITERIA:
Show financial need
Have plans to attend a college, university, technical/vocational school
Possess a GPA commensurate with the requirements of the institution of choice
10. (149) THE CHALLENGE
AWARD: One Year - \$700 (2 payments of \$350)
APPLICANT MUST MEET THESE CRITERIA:
Has been certified by the school social worker as having a disability (physical, emotional or learning)
NOTE: Neither the disability or the particulars of the disability need to be disclosed to qualify
Submitted written recommendations from a classroom teacher and the school principal
11. (85) HERSCHEL B. DAVIS
AWARD: One Year - \$800 (2 payments of \$400)
APPLICANT MUST MEET THESE CRITERIA:
Have a reasonable conception of his/her career goal
Have a record of positive high school experiences/achievements
Possess positive personal qualities as reflected in recommendations
12. (27) DR. CARRIE B. DAWSON
AWARD: One Year - \$800 (2 payments of \$400)
APPLICANT MUST MEET THESE CRITERIA:
Have plans to major in elementary education
Have plans to attend a college/university in the state of Indiana
Show financial need
13. (114) MARCUS A. DINKINS
AWARD: One Year - \$700 (2 payments of \$350)
APPLICANT MUST MEET THESE CRITERIA:
Be an African-American male
Have a reasonable conception of his career goal
Demonstrate good character qualities as reflected in recommendation letters
14. (46) GARY BOARD OF REALTORS
AWARD: One Year - \$700 (2 payments of \$350)
APPLICANT MUST MEET THESE CRITERIA:
Has plans to pursue a career in real estate or a related business field
Possesses positive personal qualities such as leadership and good citizenship that can be verified through written references
Has a record of high school endeavors that imply consistent progress and/or the ability to set and achieve goal

15. (174) GARY HISTORICAL AND CULTURAL SOCIETY
AWARD: One Year - \$1000 (2 payments of \$500)
APPLICANT MUST MEET THESE CRITERIA:
Submit a 200-word essay on the topic: "What I know about the history of Gary"
Possess positive personal qualities as reflected in recommendation letters
Have a minimum GPA of 2.5
16. (103) GARY HOUSING AUTHORITY (GHA) – COMMISSIONER’S ONE YEAR
AWARD: One Year - \$800 (2 payments of \$400)
APPLICANT MUST MEET THESE CRITERIA:
Be a resident of one of GHA’s conventional apartment units
Have a reasonable conception of his/her career goal
Possess positive personal qualities as reflected in recommendation letters
17. (103) GARY HOUSING AUTHORITY (GHA) – COMMISSIONER’S FOUR YEAR
AWARD: Four Year - \$3,200 (8 payments of \$400)
APPLICANT MUST MEET THESE CRITERIA:
Be a resident of one of GHA’s conventional apartment units
Be able to achieve secondary education career goal
Possess positive personal qualities as reflected in recommendation letters
18. (103) GHA – MAYOR’S
AWARD: One Year - \$800 (2 payments of \$400)
APPLICANT MUST MEET THESE CRITERIA:
Be a resident of one of GHA’s conventional apartment units
Have a reasonable conception of his/her career goal
Possess positive personal qualities as reflected in recommendation letters
19. (103) GHA – AL THOMAS
AWARD: One Year - \$800 (2 payments of \$400)
APPLICANT MUST MEET THESE CRITERIA:
Be a resident of one of GHA’s conventional apartment units
Have a reasonable conception of his/her career goal
Possess positive personal qualities as reflected in recommendation letters
20. (103) GHA – RESIDENT’S INITIATIVE
AWARD: One Year - \$800 (2 payments of \$400)
APPLICANT MUST MEET THESE CRITERIA:
Be a resident of one of GHA’s conventional apartment units
Have a reasonable conception of his/her career goal
Possess positive personal qualities as reflected in recommendation letters
21. (82) GARY’S 75th ANNIVERSARY
AWARD: One Year - \$1,000 (2 payments of \$500)
APPLICANT MUST MEET THESE CRITERIA:
Have maintained a GPA of "C" or better
Have a good record of service to the school and/or community
Possess positive personal qualities as reflected in recommendation letters
22. (83) GARY ROTARY CLUB- BAN YARRINGTON
AWARD: One Year - \$800 (2 payments of \$400)
APPLICANT MUST MEET THESE CRITERIA:
NOTE: Interest in foreign affairs will be considered in a choice between equally qualified applicants
Have very high academic achievements
Possess positive personal qualities as reflected in recommendation letters

No financial need requirement

23. (126) GREAT LAKES BROADCASTING

AWARD: One Year – \$1,000 (2 payments of \$500)

APPLICANT MUST MEET THESE CRITERIA:

Plans to pursue a career in communications and/or engineering

Have a GPA of 2.5 or above

Have a reasonable conception of his/her career goal

24. (135) HAMPTON UNIVERSITY – GARY ALUMNI

AWARD: One Year - \$800 (2 payments of \$400)

APPLICANT MUST MEET THESE CRITERIA:

Be unconditionally accepted to Hampton University

Have a cumulative GPA of 3.0 or better

Have a total score of 1,000 or better on the Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT)

25. (178) CHARLES "CRICKET" HANEY SR. Scholarship Fund

AWARD: Two Year - \$2000 (8 payments of \$250)

APPLICANT MUST MEET THESE CRITERIA:

Has a GPA of 2.7 or better

Displays positive personal qualities such as good sportsmanship and exemplary citizenship that can be verified through written references

Has a good record of services to the school, church and community

26. (30) EDGAR A. HARRISON, SR. OMEGA PSI PHI FRATERNITY, INC. - ALPHA CHI CHAPTER

AWARD: One Year - \$1,000 (2 payments of \$500)

APPLICANT MUST MEET THESE CRITERIA:

NOTE: Preference will be given to those preparing for a career in service to the handicapped (physical, visual, hearing impaired, etc...)

Have a reasonable conception of his/her career goal

Have a record of good citizenship and demonstrated leadership

Possess positive personal qualities as reflected in recommendation letters

(110) JOHN LEE HOWARD

AWARD: One Year - \$800 (2 payments of \$400)

APPLICANT MUST MEET THESE CRITERIA:

Submit a 200-word essay on the topic: "My Career Goals"

Show financial need

Have a minimum GPA of 2.5 and a minimum SAT score of 900

Be accepted into a vocational or baccalaureate program

27. (131) SANDRA CARR IRONS

AWARD: Four Year - \$4,000 (8 payments of \$500 Offered every four years)

APPLICANT MUST MEET THESE CRITERIA:

Plans to pursue a career in education, social work, or other service oriented career (i.e. medicine, nursing).

Has a grade point average of at least 3.0.

Demonstrates a need for financial assistance

28. (112) REV. JULIUS JAMES

AWARD: One Year - \$1,000 (2 payments of \$500)

APPLICANT MUST MEET THESE CRITERIA:

Have a GPA of 2.5 or better

Show financial need

Have a records of service to the school, community, and church

29. (80) SHARON KAPLAN
AWARD: One Year - \$500 (2 payments of \$250)
APPLICANT MUST MEET THESE CRITERIA:
Have plans to go into a profession focused on service and/or helping others
Possess positive personal qualities as reflected in recommendation letters
30. (97) (GARY) KIWANIS – ESKILSON/TUCHEK/TYLER
AWARD: One Year - \$800 (2 payments of \$400)
APPLICANT MUST MEET THESE CRITERIA:
Have a reasonable conception of his/her career goal
Have a record of high school experiences/achievements that will lead to successful pursuit of his/her selected career goal
Possess positive personal qualities as reflected in recommendation letter
31. (105) ROSELLA LABROI
AWARD: One Year - \$1,000 (2 payments of \$500)
APPLICANT MUST MEET THESE CRITERIA:
Have plans to pursue a major in education and submit a letter stating WHY
Have a GPA of 2.5 or above
Have proof of acceptance to an accredited college/university
32. (37) LAIDLAW/VANCOM CALUMET BUS SERVICE
AWARD: One Year - \$800 (2 payments of \$400)
APPLICANT MUST MEET THESE CRITERIA:
Have plans to pursue a major or academic program that can be completed in two years or less (ex: trade, vocational, proprietary schools and associate degree programs)
Have a reasonable conception of his/her career goal
Possess positive personal qualities as reflected in recommendation letters
33. (172) LOUISE LEE MUSIC AWARD
AWARD: One Year - \$1,000 (2 payments of \$500)
APPLICANT MUST MEET THESE CRITERIA:
Has a GPA 2.5 or better
Has been a successful music student in high school
Plans to major or minor in music in college
Has displayed positive personal qualities that can be verified through written references
34. (148) J. DONALD EAGLE SCHOLAR-ATHLETE
AWARD: One Year - \$1,000 (2 payments of \$500)
APPLICANT MUST MEET THE THESE CRITERIA:
Have participated in one season of any sport in grades 9-12
Have plans to major in Physical Education, Sports Medicine or a related field
Submit a 500 word or less essay stating how competing in athletics has influenced his/her career choice and ability to deal with choices in life in general
35. (151) REV. DR. ROBERT LOWERY
AWARD: One Year - \$1,000 (2 payments of \$500)
APPLICANT MUST MEET THESE CRITERIA:
NOTE: Preference will be given to male students who can show proof of active participation in Boy Scouts of America for three or more years.
Have a GPA of 2.5 or better
Show financial need
Have a worthy career goal

36. (123) EVETTE LYLES, PHARM.D./KOINONIA MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH
AWARD: One Year - \$1,000 (2 payments of \$500)
APPLICANT MUST MEET THESE CRITERIA:
NOTE: First preference will go to students who plan to major in Pharmacy, members of Koinonia Missionary Baptist Church, and graduates of Emerson S.V.P.A. Students with health-related majors will be considered if no pharmacy or pre-pharmacy major applies.
Have a GPA of 2.5 or better
Have a total SAT score of 1,000 or more or 18 or more on ACT
Have transcript(s) that reflect satisfactory or above marks in higher level math and science classes
37. (95) JUSTICE THURGOOD MARSHALL
AWARD: One Year - \$1,000 (2 payments of \$500)
APPLICANT MUST MEET THESE CRITERIA:
Be a minority student (male or female)
Have strong scholastic achievements
Have a good record of school and community service
Have a reasonable conception of his/her career goal
38. (145) EMMETT MCCULLOUGH SCIENCE
AWARD: One Year - \$1,000 (2 payments of \$500)
APPLICANT MUST MEET THESE CRITERIA:
Have plans to pursue a major/career goal in which science plays a major role
Have taken at least three science classes and earned a grade of B- or better
Possess positive personal qualities as reflected in recommendation letters
39. (99) FRANKIE WOODS MCCULLOUGH FOREIGN LANGUAGE/TRAVEL
AWARD: One Year - \$500 (2 payments of \$250)
APPLICANT MUST MEET THESE CRITERIA:
NOTE: Each year of middle school study may be counted in criteria #1
Have studied a foreign language for at least three years or two foreign languages for at least two years each
Have maintained a cumulative and foreign language GPA of 2.5 or better
Be currently enrolled in a foreign language class
Have the intent to continue foreign language study OR have definite plans for foreign travel
40. (173) CLIFFORD E. AND ALMA H. MINTON AND JACQUELINE ROSS
AWARD: Two Years – \$2,000 (8 payments of \$250)
APPLICANT MUST MEET THESE CRITERIAS:
Have a cumulative of 2.5 GPA or better
**Submit 250 words or more (12 font typed double space) entitled:
" Why I would Like to Go to College"**
Possess leadership and good citizenship as reflected in recommendation letters
41. (91) MOREHOUSE COLLEGE – GARY ALUMNI
AWARD: Four Years - \$2,000 (8 payments of \$250)
APPLICANT MUST MEET THESE CRITERIA:
Be an African-American male with plans to attend Morehouse College
Have a reasonable conception of his career goal
Possess positive personal qualities as reflected in recommendation letter
42. (117) NAACP – GARY NAACP LIFE MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE
AWARD: Four Years - \$4,000 (8 payments of \$500)
APPLICANT MUST MEET THESE CRITERIA:
Is a senior student of color planning to attend a four-year college
Have a reasonable conception of his career goal

Displays positive personal qualities as observed directly or through reference

(127) NIABSE

AWARD: One Year - \$800 (2 payments of \$400)

APPLICANT MUST MEET THESE CRITERIA:

Have plans to major in education

Submit a 250 words or more (typed double spaced) entitled:

"Why I Would"

Have been involved in extra-curricular school and community activities, preferably cultural events like the Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Memorial Convocation, African-American Liberation Day Parade, Kwanzaa, June tenth, and/or SABA activities

43. (84) DR. MONTAGUE OLIVER

AWARD: One Year - \$800 (2 payments of \$400)

APPLICANT MUST MEET THESE CRITERIA:

Have a reasonable conception of his/her career goal

Have a record of high school experiences consistent with the pursuit of selected goal

Have a good record of service to the school and community

44. (44) OMEGA PSI PHI FRATERNITY, INC. – ALPHA CHI CHAPTER

AWARD: One Year - \$1,000 (2 payments of \$500)

APPLICANT MUST MEET THESE CRITERIA:

Be a male minority student

Have a record of "satisfactory" or better scholastic achievements

Display a high degree of character/leadership qualities as reflected in recommendation letters

Have a reasonable career goal

45. (154) MAE DELLA PARHAM EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION

AWARD: One Year - \$1,000 (2 payments of \$500)

APPLICANT MUST MEET THESE CRITERIA:

Have plans to major in elementary or early childhood education

Have a good record of high school experiences and achievements

Possess positive personal qualities as reflected in recommendation letters

46. (153) ROY L. PARHAM

AWARD: One Year - \$1,000 (2 payments of \$500)

APPLICANT MUST MEET THESE CRITERIA:

Intends on declaring a technology related major

Has an admiration for cultural arts

Has demonstrated qualities of leadership, citizenship, and character that can be verified through written references

47. (101) LEOLEAN POWERS

AWARD: Four Years - \$4,000 (8 payments of \$500)

APPLICANT MUST MEET THESE CRITERIA:

Show financial need

Have positive leadership and citizenship qualities as reflected in recommendations

Be admissible to an accredited post-secondary institution

48. (35) POWERS & SONS CONSTRUCTION CO.

AWARD: Four Years - \$7,200 (8 installments of \$900)

APPLICANT MUST MEET THESE CRITERIA:

Have plans to pursue a baccalaureate degree in construction technology, civil engineering or a related field

Possess positive personal qualities as reflected in recommendation letters

Have a record of good high school experiences/achievements

49. (170) DELTA SIGMA THETA SORORITY/GARY ALUMNAE CHAPTER-
OPHELIA SHELTON SCHOLARSHIP

AWARD: One Year – \$1,000 (2 payments of \$500)

APPLICANT MUST MEET THESE CRITERIA:

**Submit a one to two-page essay (typed, double spaced) on the topic,
“The Role of the teacher in the Successful Development of Students”**

Has a reasonable conception of his/her career goal

Has a GPA of 3.00 in a College Prep Curriculum

Has a record of good citizenship in school and the community

50. (118) SADIE WILLIAMS SHROPSHIRE

AWARD: One Year - \$600 (2 payments of \$300)

APPLICANTS MUST MEET THESE CRITERIA:

Have plans to major in education with preference given to English and literature majors

**Submit a one-page essay outlining “Why higher education is necessary for students
graduating from the Gary Community School Corporation”**

Have a cumulative GPA of 2.5 or better

Be a community-oriented person with leadership qualities

51. (88) CHARLES O. & MARY SMITH

AWARD: One Year - \$800 (2 payments of \$400)

APPLICANTS MUST MEET THESE CRITERIA:

Have a desire to become a teacher

Show financial need

Possess positive personal qualities as reflected in recommendation letter

52. (177) SODEXO CULINARY ARTS

AWARD: Two Year - \$2000 (4 payments of \$500)

APPLICANTS MUST MEET THESE CRITERIA:

Have a desire to study for a career in the culinary arts profession

Have taken specialized courses in culinary arts

Have high qualities of character and leadership as well as demonstrated service

53. (89) (GARY) TEACHERS’ UNION – CHARLES O. SMITH

AWARD: One Year - \$700 (2 payments of \$350)

APPLICANTS MUST MEET THESE CRITERIA:

NOTE: The final recipient will be chosen by the Gary Teachers’ Union Scholarship Committee.

Be a son/daughter of Gary Community School Corporation employee who is a member in
good standing or of a deceased or permanently disabled member who was in good
standing at the time of death or disability

Submit a 500-word essay entitled: “If I Can Help Somebody...”

Have plans to pursue a career that promotes public education, human welfare, or social
reform (ex: teaching, social work, or healthcare)

54. (113) TENNESSEE STATE UNIVERSITY – GARY/ NWI ALUMNI

AWARD: One Year – \$1,000 (2 payments of \$500)

APPLICANT MUST MEET THESE CRITERIA:

Be unconditionally accepted to Tennessee State University

Show financial need

Possess positive personal qualities as reflected in recommendation letters

55. (33) (GARY) TUSKEGEE ALUMNI CLUB

AWARD: Four Years - \$8,000 (8 payments of \$1,000)

APPLICANT MUST MEET THESE CRITERIA:

Be unconditionally accepted to Tuskegee University

Have a cumulative GPA of 2.5 or better

Possess positive personal qualities as reflected in recommendation letters

56. URBAN VENTURES

AWARD: Four Years - \$4,000 (8 payments of \$500)

APPLICANT MUST MEET THESE CRITERIA:

Has desire to pursue a career in business

Has a record of positive high school experiences

Has positive personal qualities as observed directly or through references

57. (176) RITCHARD A. & SUSAN WATKINS

AWARD: One Year – \$1,000 (2 payments of \$500)

APPLICANT MUST MEET THESE CRITERIA:

Submit a one to two page essay on the topic,

“The Challenges of being an honor student”

Has a reasonable conception of his/her career goal

Has a GPA of 3.00 or better

58. (81) WATKINS' FAMILY/NEW MT. MORIAH BAPTIST CHURCH AWARD:

One Year - \$700 (2 payments of \$350)

APPLICANT MUST MEET THESE CRITERIA:

Be an active member of an area Baptist church

Show financial need

Have plans to attend an accredited post-secondary

59. GARRETT “DOC” WEBB, JR.

One Year - \$1,000 (2) payments of \$500)

APPLICANT MUST MEET THESE CRITERIA:

A graduating male student from Lew Wallace STEM Academy(Gary resident of 46408 or 46409 Zip Code only)

Submits a convincing letter on the topic:

“Why I should receive the Garrett “Doc” Webb, Jr. Scholarship”

Has maintained a 2.5 grade average

60. (122) ARCHIE WILLIAMS, JR. & ARNOLD K. WILLIAMS-ALPHA CHI CHAPTER OF OMEGA PSI PHI FRATERN, INC.

AWARD: One Year – \$1,000 (2 payments of \$500)

APPLICANT MUST MEET THESE CRITERIA:

A male student with a GPA of 2.700 or better

Has a record of positive high school experiences and achievements consistent with a successful pursuit of selected goals

Has demonstrated qualities of good leadership and citizenship

Has displayed personal qualities that can be verified through written references

(141) DR. ALEXANDER S. WILLIAMS

– HEALTH SERVICES

AWARD: One Year – \$1,000 (2 payments of \$500)

APPLICANT MUST MEET THESE CRITERIA:

Have a desire to study for a career in the health or healthcare profession

Have very high academic achievements

Have high qualities of character and leadership as well as demonstrated service

61. (188) THE JOAN & ERNEST BERRY SCHOLARSHIP

AWARD: One Year - \$2,000. (2 payments of \$1,000)

APPLICANT MUST MEET THESE CRITERIA:

Must have a GPA of 2.5 or above

Has plans to attend a college/university in the state of Indiana

Completes an essay that describes "What you have done to make your community a better place or describe a personal achievement and how you overcame challenges to achieve it"

NOTE: Essay should be typed, double-spaced

62. (168) JESSE O. HARRIS, JR. SCHOLARSHIP

AWARD: One Year - \$1,000. (2 payments of \$500)

APPLICANT MUST MEET THESE CRITERIA:

Has maintained a G.P.A. of 3.0 or better

Has a desire to pursue a career in the field of communications.

Students who will be attending a historically black college or university will also be given priority among candidates

NOTE: Students pursuing a career in the areas of print journalism or graphic arts will be given priority

(168) GRANT TURNER SCHOLARSHIP

AWARD: One Year - \$800. (2 payments of \$400)

APPLICANT MUST MEET THESE CRITERIA:

an African-American male graduating senior

Has decided to major in Elementary Education

63. HAROLD BECKWITH

AWARD: One-year – \$1,000.00 (2 payments of \$500)

APPLICANT MUST MEET THESE CRITERIA:

Student with Special Needs (excluding speech impairment) and has current Individual Education Plan (IEP)

Has plans to pursue an Associate, Technical School Certification or Bachelor' Degree Provide a 200–400-word essay that addresses the question: Describe your academic and career plans and any special interest you have in your pursuit of higher education. If you encountered any unusual circumstances, challenges, or obstacles in completing your education,

64. (181) PATRICIA "PENNY" WILLIAMS SCHOLARSHIP

AWARD: One Year - \$1,000 (2 payments of \$500)

APPLICANT MUST MEET THESE CRITERIA:

Has been accepted to an accredited four-year college or university

Has a GPA of 2.0 or better

Demonstrates positive personal qualities that can be verified through written references

Completes an **essay no more than 150 words in the question: "What are my goals?"**

65. (187) HENRY H. TURNER, JR. SCHOLARSHIP

AWARD: One Year - \$1,000 (2 payments of \$500)

APPLICANT MUST MEET THESE CRITERIA:

Has plans to major in and/or pursue a career in elementary education.

Has a good record of high school experiences and achievements that can be verified through written references.

Has displayed outstanding scholastic achievement and/or major leadership qualities through school, work, or community related activities.

66. (191) KATHEREINE BARNES LORDEN SCHOLARSHIP
AWARD: One Year - \$1,000 (2 payments of \$500)
APPLICANT MUST MEET THESE CRITERIA:
Must have a GPA of 2.5 or above
Has plans to attend a four-year college/university
Submits one Letter of Recommendation from an employer, teacher, or community leader attesting to the student's character. The Letter of Recommendation should not be from a relative of the student.
67. **(New)** METHODIST HEALTHCARE SCHOLARSHIP **(2 students can apply)**
AWARD: Four Year - \$2,500 (8 payments of \$312.50)
APPLICANTS MUST MEET THESE CRITERIA:
Must have a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale
Must show financial need including a copy of the FAFSA Student Aid Report (SAR) or a similar financial need assessment
Must be accepted into an accredited two- or four-year college or university
Must plan to pursue a major in a healthcare-related field (e.g., nursing, pre-med, pharmacy, physical therapy, healthcare administration).
68. **New** (193) GARY A. GANAWAY SCHOLARSHIP
AWARD: Four Year - \$8,000 (8 payments of \$1,000)
APPLICANT MUST MEET THESE CRITERIA:
Has decided to pursue a four-year degree in business, education, engineering, pre-med, pre-law, criminal justice or social work
Has demonstrated qualities of positive leadership, academic achievement and volunteer work in the community, church or extracurricular activity that can be verified through written references.
Must submit an essay "How you intend to use your education to give back to the City of Gary"
69. **New** (194) EMERGING LEADERS SCHOLARSHIP
AWARD: Four Year - \$2,000 (8 payments of \$250)
APPLICANT MUST MEET THESE CRITERIA:
The students are in good standing academically as documented by the institution attended by the student. Emerging Leaders Scholarship will be a recurring scholarship that will be awarded each year, for four years.
70. WILLIAM A. WIRT CITYWIDE SCHOLARSHIP FOR VALEDICTORIAN SALUTATORIAN
AWARD: Four Year - \$1,000 (4 payments of \$250)
APPLICANT MUST MEET THESE CRITERIA:
Must be the **Valedictorian** of Graduating High School Class
School's Scholarship Committee or counselor must verify
71. WILLIAM A. WIRT CITYWIDE SCHOLARSHIP FOR SALUTATORIAN
AWARD: Four Year - \$1,000 (4 payments of \$250)
APPLICANT MUST MEET THESE CRITERIA:
Must be the **Salutarian** of Graduating High School Class
School's Scholarship Committee or counselor must verify

72. **NEW** GERALDINE AND GENE CHAMPION SCHOLARSHIP

AWARD: One Year - \$2,500 (2 payments of \$1,250)

APPLICANT MUST MEET THESE CRITERIA:

Must have a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.5

Must show financial need

Submit a Personal Essay

73. **NEW** CARRYING GARY FORWARD SCHOLARSHIP

AWARD: One Year - \$1,000 (2 payments of \$500)

APPLICANT MUST MEET THESE CRITERIA:

Must have a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.0 or higher

Must major in business or law

Must plan to attend an HBCU

Note: The following scholarships can be applied for, however, West Side's scholarship team should select the recipients.

Scholarships for Students living in the Roosevelt C & C Academy area ONLY

Colonel Thomas T. Wright School Specific Scholarship for West Side

- 1) Has maintained a GPA of 3.0 or better
- 2) Has participated in positive high school experiences that show evidence that he/she is capable of the successful pursuit of a selected career goal
- 3) Is currently a member of or is actively involved with a Christian church.
NOTE: A letter from the Pastor or a church official is required. The letter should state your church involvement and any other information that may be useful in the decision to award this scholarship.
- 4) Has demonstrated a need for financial assistance

* This scholarship is awarded to a Roosevelt High School student in odd numbered years and is rotating among the other high schools in even-numbered years in this order: Emerson S.V.P.A., King Academy, Lew Wallace, West Side, and Wirt.

Barbara Leek Wesson SS Scholarship for Roosevelt -

- 1) Has maintained average grades throughout high school and has a worthy career plan/goal
- 2) Has maintained a good record of high school experiences and achievements consistent with a successful pursuit of selected goals
- 3) Has positive personal qualities observed directly or through references
- 4) Has a good record of services to the school and/or community

Warren M. Anderson SS Scholarship for Roosevelt -

- 1) Has an appropriate post-secondary education plan that is in line with the training necessary to successfully obtain a career goal.
- 2) Has a GPA of 2.5 or better
- 3) Displays positive personal qualities that can be verified through written references
- 4) Has a record of service to the school, church, or community that includes leadership roles

Herbert A. & Maudie C. Dixon & Jacqueline Ross SS Scholarship for Roosevelt –

- 1) Has an appropriate post-secondary education plan that is in line with the training necessary to successfully obtain a career goal.
- 2) Has a GPA of 3.0 or better
- 3) Displays positive personal qualities such as leadership and exemplary citizenship that can be verified through written references
- 4) Has demonstrated financial need

Eva Gray's Promise SS Scholarship for Roosevelt –

- 1) Has participated in volunteer activities
- 2) Has maintained a GPA of 2.0 or better
- 3) Displays positive personal qualities such as exemplary citizenship that can be verified through written references
- 4) **Has submitted a letter (typed, double-spaced) that addresses, “Why I Should Receive the “Promise” Scholarship” (no longer than 3 pages)**

Scholarships for Students living in the Roosevelt C & C Academy area ONLY continued.

Robert E. Jones SS Scholarship for Roosevelt –

- 1) Has academic status as a graduating senior at Roosevelt High School
- 2) Has maintained a GPA of 2.5 or better
- 3) Plans to major in the area of education
- 4) Displays positive personal qualities such as leadership, dedication, and excellent citizenship in school, church, or the community that can be verified through written references.

H. Theo Tatum SS Scholarship for Roosevelt

- 1) Has an appropriate post-secondary education plan that is in line with the training necessary to successfully obtain a career goal.
- 2) Has a GPA of 2.5 or better
- 3) Displays positive personal qualities that can be verified through written references
- 4) Has a record of service to the school, church, or community that includes leadership roles

Roosevelt Alumni Association Scholarship

- 1) Has a GPA of 3.0 or better
- 2) Has an appropriate post-secondary education plan that when completed will leave the student with adequate knowledge/training to pursue a reasonable career goal
- 3) Displays positive personal qualities such as leadership, commitment, strong work ethic, and compassion that can be verified through written references

Note: The following scholarships may be applied for, however, West Side's scholarship team should select the recipients.

Scholarships for Students living in the West Side Leadership Academy area ONLY

Anner H. & Johnnie Barnes SS Scholarship for West Side –

- 1) Has a post-secondary education plan which includes a chosen field of study or major related to his/her ultimate career goal(s)
- 2) Has a record of high school experiences/achievements that are consistent with a successful pursuit of goals related to his/her ultimate career goal(s)
- 3) Has demonstrated high qualities of service to the school, community, and/or church that can be verified through written references

NOTE: Service to two of the three listed above will qualify

- 4) Completes an essay no more than 150 words on the question:
“What is Most Important in Your Life?”

NOTE: Essay should be typed, double-spaced

Don Elser/Horace Mann Alumni SS Scholarship for West Side –

- 1) Has an educational record of good attendance
- 2) Has a post-secondary education plan which includes a chosen field of study or major related to his/her ultimate career goal(s)
- 3) Has a cumulative G.P.A. between 2.0 and 3.5